

RUISHTON VILLAGE HALL NEWSLETTER

JULY/AUGUST 2010

Members of the VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE will be running a TIN stall and manning the TEAS on Village Day, as a way of raising funds for the Village Hall. Early in July, members of the committee will be coming round the village collecting tins (full) for their stall. Please try to help us. Thank you very much.

VILLAGE HALL MONTHLY DRAW

£20	No166	Mrs T S McEwan 18 Woodlands Drive
£10	No148	Mrs S Widger 31 Coronation Close Mrs
£5	No 116	P Longhurst 27, Lawn Meadow Mrs D
£3	No 136	Briggs 15 newlands Rd

The WHIST DRIVE in June will be on Wednesday June 23rd. The July Whist will be on Wednesday 28th July. Doors open at 7pm and play commences at 7.30pm. There is no whist drive in August.

The July BINGO will be on Wednesday 14th. Doors open at 7pm and its EYES DOWN at 7.30pm. The SNOWBALL is now £55. There will be no Bingo in August.

The July Health walk will be On Wednesday July 28th, and the August one is on Wednesday August 18th meeting in Village Hall car park as usual at 10.30am.

OUTING The Carpet Bowls Club are arranging for a day out on Thursday September 9th, this will be a boat trip on the River Avon from Bath. There are a few seats left to anyone who is interested, the cost of £27.50 will include the coach, a four hour boat trip on the river and a Ploughman's Lunch. (Payment can be made in instalments). If you are interested or would like to know more, please phone Mavis on 442427.

FLOWER SHOW - 17th July

We'd like to see lots of entries again this year - not only on the Show day, but also in the Scarecrow Competition (Theme - World Cup Scarecrow) and Hanging Basket class, to be judged in situ, on Sunday 11th July - so dress up your scarecrow and hang up your baskets, we want your entries!

You can enter plenty of classes in the Show even if you aren't a gardener- handicrafts, baking, photography, flower arranging, wine & drinks etc. Would last year's cup winners please return cups (polished please) to any committee member by Sunday 4th July.

VILLAGE DAY July 17th. We are very pleased to be able to have The Birds of Prey coming again and hope they will be able to fly a Falcon for us. The Majorettes will march from Ruishton Inn at 13.50. Help is needed on the day in setting up and dismantling, if you can spare a couple of hours in helping us we would be grateful. Everyone else do come and support us on the day there will be lots of fun for everyone. Special thanks to our sponsors Roy of R&B graphics and Paul Hawkins Oil and Gas Burner Services.

John Elston 442568

Companion Dog Show 17th July. Schedules now available from Bob wine or myself if you can't collect from our houses then send us a S.A.E and will post it to you. We look forward to getting lots of entries. Would all perpetual cup holders please return them to Bob or myself by end of June. Many thanks to our sponsors Jane of Hairlines and Craig of Western Fuel Supplies. John Elston 442568 & Bob Wine 442075.

For all bookings and enquiries regarding the Village Hall, please contact Chris on 07958574905

ALL ITEMS FOR THE September 2010 newsletter should be delivered to the Editor, Liz Harper, Marl Bank, Bushy Cross Lane, Ruishton (443369) NOT LATER THAN SATURDAY 14th AUGUST 2010, or e-mail Ruishton_magazine@hotmail.com

LADIES COFFEE CLUB We meet this month on Monday 12th July at 2.30pm at Anne's house. Sally McEwen 442733

RUISHTON ROWCOUNTERS Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 21st July at 2.00pm at Edna's home.

RATS (Ruishton Arts & Textiles) meet on the first Thursday evening 7-9pm in the VH committee room. Next meeting 1st July. We are a group of craft enthusiasts who work with fabric & thread, if interested come and join us. For more information ring Rosemary (442039).

TAUNTON & DISTRICT FRIENDSHIP CENTRE We are a club offering a wide range of social activities for the over 50s including a meeting in the Ruishton Village Hall on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 2pm. Next meeting is on Thursday 15th July. For further information contact Sally (442733).

THORNFALCON & DISTRICT W.I. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 21st July Mrs G Brooks will talk about "The early days at North Hawkwell". Competition will be an Animal Ornament. In August an outing will be organised. Anne Cuff (442364).

This month some Home Security Top Tips from PCSO's Eamonn Leniston and Mandie Reed of your Rural Neighbourhood Beat Team

- Fit a gate across any side or rear entrances to your property and gardens and lock it when you are out.
- Make sure all doors and windows are locked when you aren't in.
- Don't leave keys and small valuable items within reach of doors and windows.
- Fit Dusk to Dawn lighting to the front and rear of the property.
- Don't leave packaging or boxes outside your house or in the rubbish to advertise any new and expensive Purchases such as computers or TV's.
- Join your local Neighbourhood Watch group. 01823363348

NEIGHBOURHOOD BEAT SERGEANT PS1400 ANTHONY CROWTER
NEIGHBOURHOOD BEAT MANAGER PC 1146 MARIA JENNINGS POLICE
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The Hub Summer Club at Ruishton Primary School will be open Mon - Fri from 2nd -27th August 2010 between the hours of 8am and 6pm and is open for all children aged 4 - 11years. Full day cost is £16.00 per child, sessional rates available.

So let your child have some fun while you either work or take some time for yourself. Places are limited, so book early. Contact Joanne on 01823 444302

Or email Caroline at admin@woodlandspre-school.co.uk for further information.

RUISHTON AND THORNFALCON PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN - RICHARD HOUSE 443496 CLERK - MARY GROWTAGE 275992

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

There was a very disappointing turn out for this meeting held at the end of last month.

Engineers from Wessex Water were present and gave details of their proposed plans to build a road from Ham Sewerage Treatment Works to the A358 through Tarmac, thereby sharing the existing entrance.

The consultation is not complete and no details are set in stone but there is a need to increase capacity of the works to almost double by the year 2035. This being due to the expected increase in population and the need to take into account the carbon footprint.

Highways have been consulted and consider the only requirement on the A.358 would be to change the road markings. A roundabout would not be suitable for the size of the trailers used by Tarmac.

The other major topic was the need for allotments in the parish. The Chairman explained that at the present time there was no land available for renting and that the cost to purchase a suitable plot, if one was available, would cost in the region of £20-30k including fencing, supply of water and preparation of the site.

There is limited funding available to the Parish Council, but more might be obtainable by an Allotment Association. At present 14 people are interested and it is hoped that an association might be set up from these people.

It was also suggested that mini allotments (measuring 6x4mtrs) might be considered.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Planning -- TD has granted Conditional Planning Permission for the Sewerage Plant at The Mount Somerset Hotel and permission for an extension at 48 Newlands Road.

It is 10 years since councillors and parishioners took part in planting Henlade Wood and the Woodland Trust have asked whether we would like to put on an event to mark this occasion. This will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

Cllr. Buigin spoke of the vandalism that has taken place in the recreation field over the past few weeks. One being the removal of split pins from the shackle pins on the swings, which resulted in one swing coming adrift. Following this incident, the swings were inspected and it was decided to remove them and the Parish Council will see if any grants are available to provide new ones sometime in the future.

Other incidents in the field included the removal of 12' of fencing from around the toddlers' play area, which was then used to make a bonfire.

All these incidents cost money and has to go on the parish rate, last year almost £1,000 was spent on vandalism in the field; so, we would urge parishioners to be vigilant and to report any act of vandalism or unsocial behaviour in the area to any member of the council or the clerk.

We are not alone Creech St Michael have also experienced vandalism in their field.

It is understood that for those not yet recycling plastic and cardboard, their bins will be provided in September.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday July 2010 at 7.30pm
Parishioner's question time will be at 7.20pm

RUISHTON AND THORN FALCON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: MARY GROWTAGE
Tel. 01823 275992

PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CHAIRMAN RICHARD HOUSE

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COUNCILLORS* G.ANDERDON D. LOWE
R. BULGIN M. MULLINS S.
C.FAULKNER REXWORTHY
R. HANCOCK I. SMALL
L. HARPER

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS D. DURDAN AND K. DURDAN

COUNTY COUNCILLOR FOTHERGILL

SPECIFIC AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>AREA</u>	<u>COUNCILLORS</u>
FOOTPATHS	HANCOCK, HARPER and RYAN
HIGHWAYS	BULGIN, LOWE and CLERK
RECREATION FIELD	BULGIN, FAULKNER and REXWORTHY
SAFETY ISSUES	MULLINS
TARMAC LIAISON COMMITTEE	BULGIN, MARSHALL, MULLINS and CLERK
POLICE CONTACT	HOUSE and CLERK
PRESS	HOUSE and CLERK
LOWER HENLADE	ANDERDON, LOWE and CLERK
THORN FALCON	HOUSE and SMALL
RIVERBANK	HOUSE and HARPER
LOCAL/STRUCTURE PLAN	BULGIN and MARSHALL
VILLAGE HALL REP'	REXWORTHY
SALC REPRESENTATIVE	ANDERDON AND HANCOCK
FLOOD WARDENS	BULGIN AND ANDERDON MRS A CALLEN
TREE WARDENS	MRS L MARSHALL

TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

RICHARD HOUSE (CHAIRMAN)			443496
ANDERDON	442283	BULGIN	442147
FAULKNER	442376	HANCOCK	444080
HARPER	443369	LOWE	442453
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REXWORTHY	442860	SMALL	443764
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